Long True-Story Literature

Train of Life

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Chapter 6. In the Evening of the Century

If the social system changed, the country's political situation and economic life were at unease.

The aftereffect of the fall of the Berlin Walls had swept over the East European socialist countries.

Soviet Union fell and new Russia rose.

In 1996, I felt my heart painful, traveling to Irkutsk, Novosibirsk, Omsk and the other places in Russia. The market economy and democracy caused serious inflation and the increasing gap between the rich and poor. People's life was aggravated and the political and economic situations were chaotic.

The socialism with 70-year long history fell and capitalism was set up. This surprising event threw a dark shade on the country.

Before this bitter reality, the Russian scholars gathered in Moscow State University to grope for the future.

Academician A. M. Kovalyov told me.

"I believe that if we follow the Juche idea, we can restore powerful Russia like Soviet Union, overcoming this chaotic situation.

In the past, we did not get together so often, but we do now to discuss the way of building a new society, as we share the common ideology of Juche."

Kovalyov was the president of the International Academic Union for the Study of Human Problems in the Present World. He was an eminent Russian philosopher whose name had the entries in the "Man of the Year." He had defended the socialist ideology and theory.

He honestly told me.

"As we had many Koreans who had learnt Marxism-Leninism

in Soviet Union, I regarded myself as a teacher but now I am a student."

Talking with them, I practically refreshed the scientific accuracy, vitality and validity of the Juche idea.

In an uneasy time of the upheavals, the original ideology shined more brightly.

A lot of the modern philosophers and thinkers who had been in agony for the true human value system began to be fed by the Juche idea.

Personally experiencing the strong stream of independence, I could picture the Juche idea vividly in my mind's eye.

The ideology that reflected the human demand for independence conformed to the demand of all classes that were interested in the social progress.

Therefore, all people follow the Juche idea.

In Moscow University, I personally met Vishwanath for the first time.

Looking at his visiting card, I doubted. He was known to the world as the famous adman and eminent social activist. He had much wealth and many bank accounts but his card was too humble.

I asked him.

"Dr. Vishwanath, your card is too humble comparing your fame."

Without affectation, he answered.

"I learnt from President Kim Il Sung."

This short answer told everything; his spirit and desire.

Vishwanath had met the presidents of many countries and the distinguished figures but he held his head lower before the great leader.

Our leader was famous in the world but led a humble life, setting the people as the masters of the history.

His noble personality and his great ideology attracted all.

Vishwanath was trying to learn after him.

I heard a lot of Vishwanath. We talked through the night.

He told me the story about his business with the Soviet people.

After the change of the social system, the memories of socialism in the country came to his mind.

The last part of the 20th century taught the historical lessons that

if we did not have the wrong leader and wrong ideology, the country and the people would have gone the wrong way.

1. Event—Red Flags Hoisted Down

In December 1991, the red flag fluttering on the top of the Kremlin was slowly hoisting down.

The red flags on the top of the Soviet Embassies in the different countries were also hoisting down.

Vishwanath was embarrassed for a while.

It was the end of the socialist system that had boasted of its might for 74 years.

All people were shocked by this.

How big encouragement the red flag did give, fluttering high in the sky by the hurricane of socialism that had swept over the world in the 20th century!

People had come to Moscow to hear its fluttering sound nearer.

Vishwanath's first foreign visit was to the socialist Soviet Union.

In the 74 years of the socialist Soviet Union, Vishwanath had followed it for 43 years. Look! "Soviet Land" had 43 years of history.

From the end of the 1940s to the 1990s, Vishwanath had worked for the magazine, as a client of the Soviet Embassy.

43 years: 43 was more than the number of the electric poles in Barakamba Road.

"Soviet Land" was larger and more fertile than the land in Pandori Bibi village. It was the "land" that had been constantly expanded over the continents.

Vishwanath had been standing in the centre of the "land."

Three years before, "Soviet Land" celebrated the 40th anniversary of its founding. In the banquet with the participation of

about 500 diplomatic missions, the Soviet ambassador had praised Vishwanath, the "lord" of "Soviet Land."

It was the evaluation that Vishwanath had reclaimed and made fertile "Soviet Land." At the same time, it was the request to Vishwanath to make it more fertile.

The diploma and the medal instituted on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of its founding was conferred on Vishwanath for the first time. The figure "40" was engraved in the centre of the large medal. And the diploma read "This is to certify that the medal is awarded to Dr. Vishwanath who made a special contribution to the friendship and peace between Soviet Union and India along with 'Soviet Land'."

Vishwanath was applauded when the Soviet ambassador hung the medal around his neck.

"Soviet Land" Vishwanath had cultivated for 43 years was gone in a moment.

"Soviet Land" was gone in the East Europe.

After the World War II, the world had formed two poplars of the USA and Soviet Union. The inauguration of the UNO was declared. In San Francisco, the UN Charter was adopted.

The founding of the UN was contradictory to the division of the world.

Now, one polar was broken.

This meant the end of the cold war.

The USA had emerged as the one and only super power.

The bourgeois mass media had vociferated the end of socialism. The socialist thinkers and theoreticians had agitated about the value system. The "material civilization" had brought about the ideological vacancy.

Vishwanath was watching this historical event.

The politicians, diplomats, thinkers and analysts faced the turmoil.

Along with the fall of Soviet Union, the East European socialist countries fell, as they had been under the Soviet roof.

When Soviet Union unfolded umbrella, the East European countries unfolded umbrellas, too, even though no rain in their countries.

The socialist diplomats were called back. They departed,

without saying good-bye to Vishwanath.

They did not need Vishwanath anymore.

Vishwanath had been invited to Soviet Union, Poland, Romania, East Germany, Hungary, Albania, Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria, etc. He was awarded the top orders and medals of these countries.

Todor Zhivkov had personally awarded the gold medal and diploma to Vishwanath. The diploma meant Vishwanath did not need visa to Bulgaria.

The medals and diploma were no more than the old marks of the former socialist countries.

"Soviet Land" was gone along with the red flag.

This was more serious than the break of The Tribune. The Tribune rose again after a trial but nobody could expect the rise of socialism.

Feeling stuffy, Vishwanath opened the windows wide.

He could see the statue of Asaf Ali. He was a patriot who had fought for India's freedom and independence against the British imperialists. The government set up his statue in the street named after him in the middle of the 1960s.

The people who had devoted themselves for the country and the people were always remembered.

Soviet Union had the numerous patriotic fighters who had shed their blood for the socialist fatherland. Had they fought to see today?

In the labyrinth of mind, Vishwanath stayed in his office alone for a long time.

"I did not anticipate so rapid change of the world political situation."

Late in the evening, Vishwanath left the Interads building.

When the driver drove him home, he was standing in front of his house for a while and began to walk in Greater Kailash Street, breathing in the fresh night air.

His legs carried him to the DPRK Embassy.

The DPRK flag was fluttering on the top of the embassy building. It seemed to be fluttering more fiercely.

The DPRK was not under the Soviet roof. The spirit of the DPRK, the land of self-reliance was "Juche."

It was proved how right it was that the DPRK had followed the independence and how great the Juche idea was.

Vishwanath remembered that the great President Kim Il Sung had made a clear and wise analysis and judgment of today, ten years before.

When he met Vishwanath, President Kim Il Sung stressed that those countries that had lost the socialist elements were in the decline.

His teaching was the revelation of the heaven and the hint of the great man. He had predicted today since long before.

He was the heaven for humanity who looked down the world.

That night, Vishwanath felt a pride of being his disciple.

Vishwanath's eyes were locked in the flying flag of the land of Juche. The star in the flag came in a large shape.

2. More Beautiful is the Bird Flying in Storms

It was storming.

The storm started in a few countries in the end of the 1980s became more fierce, sweeping over the East European socialist countries.

The persistent storm of the Western "material civilization" dismantled those countries.

How to explain this stark reality, then?

The development of the "material civilization" demonstrated its deformedness.

The evil development of the "material civilization" came along with the violence.

A shower of missiles of the allied forces fell on a small country.

The Gulf War surprised humanity.

The development of science and technology made by humanity were misused in this war and Iraq became the victim of the logic of the "almighty violence" that reigned as a distorted value system of humanity.

The pacific life met the turmoil in an instance.

The birds freely flying in the blue sky lost their way due to the

hanging-over darkness and nose-dived.

In the evening of the 20th century, the time-honored revolutionary castles fell like the wet mud walls.

In these storms, all birds fell with the broken wings but a bird was soaring high into the sky, fiercely fluttering its wings. The bird was the free bird in the mind of Vishwanath.

The bird did not fear the storm. It had the blue sky that could embrace it. It had the eternal sun that could defend it.

The bird that had left Pandori Bibi village had its own sky already and defended it.

Vishwanath thought.

"If I did not know the Juche idea and if I did not meet President Kim Il Sung and leader Kim Jong Il, what would have happen to me?

I would have roamed, losing my way. I would have been lonely, without the socialist Soviet Union and the East European socialist countries."

His mind, however, kept the heaven and the pillar of conviction.

The heaven was the sun of Juche and the pillar of conviction was the Juche idea.

Juche was the talent and strength that enabled the people to attain the freedom and rights by themselves.

Those who had the heaven in their minds could tame the storm.

Vishwanath's heart was erupting poem.

Human being, thou art the master of the world!

For the first time in human history,
Juche gave the answer
To the unanswered question of philosophy
And to the strong thirst of human thought.

Juche! Thou attract hearts of the people.
Thou art the water of life for the thirsty hearts.
Thou art the unquenchable light for the roving victims.

The great Juche declares the truth only.
O human being!

Thou art the master of thyself!
Thou art the most powerful social being in the world!

…

Thou have been alienated, sacrificing thy soul
To the sweet words of the benevolent "God."
Thou have been alienated, giving ways
To the merciless"Law" of the capital.

Hold thy head high and high!
Thou art the master of the world!
Thou art the helmsman of all things!
The world belongst to thee!

Thou have been the slaves of power and "God"
And slaves of the material in the long and bitter history.
But now, thou art enthroned as masters by Juche!

The synonyms of Juche are
Kim Il Sung!
Kim Jong Il!
They enjoy respect of all.
…

This poem erupting in the days of turmoil was the outcry of his heart.

He wrote that Juche was the ideology for the genuine life of humanity and the immortal banner flying on the top of human love.

The ocean of his thinking was billowy deep. He continued to write.

They enjoy cheers everywhere
As they tell the human fundamentals,
As they tell the human future.

How much ecstasy the world is in!
Humanity gave a birth to them as heritage of the centuries.

Juche – Kim Il Sung!
Juche – Kim Jong Il!

They possess all human pride,
Thus becoming the hearts of humanity.
…

The Juche idea is, indeed, the Good Book
In the era of independence!
It teaches the only way to true life,
Awakening the people to the fact
That they are the masters of their destiny.

…

It enthroned human being in this kingdom proudly.
Hence, its truth remains for ever and ever
Through centuries.

O human being! Thou art the master of the world.

This was the second chapter of the epic he had in mind. The great vitality of the Juche idea proved itself in the complicated years, giving the inspirations to him. The inspiration was singing the eternal spring of humanity.

First of all, he had to prepare the international seminar in a grand scale in Delhi, on the occasion of the birthday of H. E. Kim Jong Il.

It was necessary to demonstrate the power of the Juche idea, the power of socialism. This was the way to encourage the peace-loving people to get free from the storm with conviction.

Kenichi Ogami, the "chief of general staff" of the IIJI telephoned every day to ask the preparation of the seminar.

Mukherjee, though ill, did his best, writing the report to the seminar.

Vishwanath joined hands with Govind and the other Juche idea followers for the preparation of the seminar.

Shuhachi Inoue was busy, reading the contributed papers.

In the last part of the 20th century that witnessed the rapid change in the world political situation, the Juche idea followers knew their historic mission.

Vishwanath was busy, meeting the government VIPs and scholars for the success of the seminar.

Altaf Hussain planned to sum up his life in the international seminar.

"…The Juche idea is the divine text of human love and the great ideology of humanity that gives the vigorous breaths even into this cool mind."

He was writing his speech for days. He wrote the reflection of his life, the historical lessons and the truth and the bright future of humanity.

It was in Karachi 10 years before that he was shocked by the influence of the Juche idea.

He sensed the stream of the history, looking at his colleagues who devoted their lives and families on the way of following the Juche idea.

Changes took place in his life and thinking, after coming back from Karachi.

Abdul Malak promised with him to see in Pyongyang, but he had no face to go there without having done anything. Vishwanath had had held a grand international seminar in Delhi and Abdul Malak had organized the national seminar in Karachi before they went to Pyongyang. However, Altaf Hussain had done nothing virtually. Although it was late, he wanted to do what he had to do to keep pace with his colleagues. He cancelled his visit to Pyongyang and formed a group for the study and dissemination of the Juche idea in Lahore.

A new energy was coming into his mind that seemed to have lost something valuable.

The study and dissemination of the Juche idea in Lahore, one of the big industrial centres in Pakistan was very significant in realizing the cause of independence of the country. In Lahore, Mohammed Aslam Nagi, the lawyer of the Pakistan Supreme Court had been working as the chairman of the committee for the study of Kimilsungism. Altaf Hussain joind hands with him.

The ideology that valued man most set a fire even in the cool heart.

On February 8, 1992, the international seminar on the Juche idea for independence and peace of the world was held amidst the great attention and expectation of the progressive peoples.

This seminar was of great significance, as it was held in the period in which the imperialists made the anti-socialist offensive, after the end of the cold war.

The international reactionary forces vociferated the "setback of socialism", saying it was the great "heritage" of the 20th century.

The renegades of socialism said the socialism itself was wrong.

Which was the right way for the world to follow, then?

Many people in the former socialist countries were roaming and the left-wing political parties were agitating.

Nevertheless, Vishwanath did not believe the theory of the "fall of socialism."

He had witnessed the Korean socialism for the last 20 years and had a longing for socialism.

The DPRK that had the Juche idea as its guideline cut its brilliant figure in the world. The seminar took place for two days.

It was the prestigious seminar with the participation of the Indian government VIPs and the political party leaders and the distinguished leaders of the foreign delegations.

T. B. Mukherjee presented the report, though he was ill.

In the seminar, many orthodox Marxist scholars spoke about the scientific accuracy, vitality and validity of the Juche idea. Those were the voices of the era.

Altaf Hussain's speech moved the participants.

"…I have thought it was right to observe the world centring on the matters, the economic relations and done my lawyer's activities, depending on that. My heart was a piece of the cold stone that did not understand the great doctrine that valued man most…

The Juche idea is the divine text of human love and the great ideology of humanity that gives vigorous breaths even into this cool mind…

The Juche world outlook makes us to see the world most correctly. This truth was accepted by all the people who have claimed for its objective proof.

When they know the Juche idea, the people feel the warm breath of human being."

The letter addressed to H. E. Kim Jong Il, the great leader of the cause of the world independence was adopted unanimously in the seminar.

The Delhi seminar that took place immediately after the fall of socialism in the East European countries was the biggest present of the world Juche idea followers for H. E. Kim Jong Il who observed his 50th birthday.

Altaf Hussain asked his friends.

"Give me an assignment."

His voice was quiet but his heart was seething with joy.

His friends said.

"We cannot part from each other."

"Of course not."

The three friends shook hands.

Memory is for today and today is for tomorrow.

Altaf Hussain was grateful to his friends for their help.

His friends' trust in Altaf touched him.

Vishwanath liked him who made a correct judgment without giving priority to the emotion.

Vishwanath was happy with him who accepted the Juche idea, after having proved its scientific accuracy and validity subjectively and objectively.

The right ideology touched and led all the people. The Juche idea deepened their friendship.

Ushering in the 1990s, more people came to the way of Juche, sharing one mind and one ideology.

On the occasion of the 80th birthday of President Kim Il Sung, Vishwanath declared the publication of the "Kim Il Sung Encyclopaedia" that he had prepared since 1988.

The publication of the Encyclopaedia about the great leader of the socialist country of Juche evoked a great sensation.

The copies of the Encyclopaedia in two volumes were distributed to the regional institutes, the study organizations, the famous libraries and universities in the world.

Once, I appreciated him for having published the Encyclopaedia.

He said.

"I did not compile it for the praise. As a Juche idea follower, I have done what I have to do. The book was issued through the kind cooperation of many peoples in the world."

"It is you who initiated and published it."

"Of course I did. But that book is the product of the people who respect President Kim Il Sung."

He was right. The "Kim Il Sung Encyclopaedia" was the fruit of the absolute trust of the world people in the great leader.

The fall of socialism started in Poland in 1989 had swept over the East European countries, bringing about the political and economic crisis. Nevertheless, the Korean socialism led by the great leader Kim Il Sung had invariably followed socialism, enjoying the admiration of all people.

President Kim Il Sung was the sun of Juche that led the cause of the global independence to victory.

Vishwanath desired to do something more to add glory to his exploits.

Vishwanath had had an idea in his mind since long time before. It was to institute an international prize named after Kim Il Sung.

India had the Nehru Prize.

If the prize named after Kim Il Sung were instituted, it would be a great honour for all the people who respect him.

In his childhood, Vishwanath heard a lot of the legends about the saints. His respect for the saint grew to the respect for President Kim Il Sung, the practically great man who stood in the limelight of the world.

He made up his mind to get to this work immediately.

It was an urgent historic task. He regarded it as the requirement of the time.

In one day, he informed his idea to the IIJI, the regional institutes, the Indian VIPs and his colleagues.

He formed a committee for the institution of the International Kim Il Sung Prize. The committee had consultations.

Vishwanath proposed to establish the Kim Il Sung Foundation and institute the International Kim Il Sung Prize.

It was the unanimous desire of the committee members to confer the International Kim Il Sung Prize upon the progressive

figures who made a special contribution to the cause of the global independence, unlike the other international prizes that had been awarded to those who had made contributions to the development of science and technology or to the cause of the world peace. They agreed to give the priority to the political and ideological evaluation rather than the prize money.

Vishwanath visited the DPRK in March.

He planned to present the "Kim Il Sung Encyclopaedia" to the great leader Kim Il Sung who observed his 80th birthday and report his plans.

He felt a throb of joy in his heart.

"How wonderful it is that the 'Kim Il Sung Encyclopaedia' was published and the International Kim Il Sung Prize will be instituted soon!"

Meanwhile, he had a thought he would not speak out his plan, because President Kim Il Sung who had so humble personality would mind his desire.

On March 19, President Kim Il Sung met the soldier who came from the distant country. He was waiting for Vishwanath in the hall and embraced him.

He was so glad to meet his old acquaintance. He had the photo taken with Vishwanath and guided him to a room.

Vishwanath spoke out everything in his mind to President Kim Il Sung.

"Allow me to extend my best wishes to Your Excellency who observe the 80th birthday.

As a follower of You Excellency President Kim Il Sung, I respect you as a father…"

Vishwanath spoke that he had had respected the great leader as his teacher since he met him 15 years before, that India was turned to a big centre for the study and dissemination of the Juche idea and that the Korean socialism was advancing along the banner of the Juche idea.

He continued.

"The Juche idea brought about a great welfare to human life. I am one of the people who had the welfare…

What you have told me was quite right.

At that time, you told me about the Soviet situation.

Your anticipation became the reality today. Soviet Union fell. Socialism fell and the nation was splitted."

President Kim Il Sung asked him to speak in his seat and said.

"I am happy to see you again in good health. You and I share the same will…

We are friends, brothers and comrades. From now on, our relations are perfect comradely relations."

Vishwanath who received the full trust from the great teacher was throbbing in his heart.

He had the brilliant eyes and a ringing voice.

Calming his agitated mind, Vishwanath was looking up to the great saint.

President Kim Il Sung said.

"You still remember what I said at that time. That became true now…

The enemies…already made the plan to frustrate socialism in the East Europe about 40 years ago.

Since then, therefore, we decided to follow the road of independence. It has clearly been proved now that we were right to have followed that road."

President Kim Il Sung explained about the world political situation and analyzed the cause of the fall of socialism in Soviet Union and the East European countries in two points.

First, these countries did not have independence, and secondly, the enemies made the subversive activities and sabotages.

President Kim Il Sung stressed that those countries that did not follow independence would ruin.

An idea flashed into the mind of Vishwanath. He made up his mind to write a book about his teachings for the global independence.

His teachings were imprinted in Vishwanath's mind.

Vishwanath honestly spoke out.

"As a Juche idea follower, I will remember what Your Excellency spoke today…

I am a student who has made a deep study of your life and of your turning Korea into an independent country like today by conducting the struggle, overcoming all the difficulties."

Vishwanath reverently presented the "Kim Il Sung

Encyclopaedia" to him.

Vishwanath said that it was his honour to present his humble present the "Kim Il Sung Encyclopaedia" on the occasion of the 80th birthday of President Kim Il Sung and explained the contents of the book and that many distinguished scholars and the Juche idea followers in the world had participated in preparing the book. He requested him to convey his thanks and guided him to a dinner table.

President Kim Il Sung offered a seat to Vishwanath.

"I propose a toast to your health."

Vishwanath was grateful. He stood up and said.

"It is a honorable day for me today.

I will drink this, wishing you who observe 80th birthday good health."

President Kim Il Sung thanked him.

The talks went on in a cordial atmosphere.

Vishwanath felt his mind growing tense. He was hesitating but had to report.

He spoke with an encouragement.

"Your Excellency, we plan to institute the international prize named after Your Excellency, reflecting the unanimous desire of the people over the world."

As expected, he minded the idea.

Vishwanath explained the reason why he planned to institute it.

"Your Excellency, I propose this to make the people over the world remember Your Excellency President Kim Il Sung, the legendary hero forever.

This is also connected with the reality in which many people in the world try to get your advice and leadership…"

He converted the topic of the conversation to the greatness of Kim Jong Il, the people's leader.

Vishwanath was touched. He was the great man who kept himself humble and gave the preference to the people's leader.

Holding his head lower before his noble personality, Vishwanath made up his mind.

"I will institute the prize at all costs, reflecting the desire of the progressive peoples over the world."

This was the duty and mission devolved upon him by the history and time.

As long as humanity existed, the prize would remain as the most prestigious international prize.

Vishwanath felt the noble human touch and the warm love from his benevolent looks.

He sensed the calm, composed and confident looks in the eyes of President Kim Il Sung. When the politics and economy were stable, the statesman could do something extraordinary.

Vishwanath thought.

"His eyes are full of the boundlessly benevolent love. Does this come from the satisfaction that the political, economic, cultural, military and other fields advance towards the prosperity under the leadership of H. E. Kim Jong Il?"

Vishwanath reported that 50 important ceremonies took place in India on the occasion of the 50th birthday of H. E. Kim Jong Il.

Parting him, President Kim Il Sung warmly embraced him, asking him to come again with his family members for relax.

Vishwanath ardently desired President Kim Il Sung to keep blessing the Juche idea followers in good health.

Vishwanath flied to Tokyo from Pyongyang. He was going to participate in the international seminar on the Juche idea held for the first time in Japan on the occasion of the 80th birthday of President Kim Il Sung.

Present in the seminar were about 600 people including the eminent social activists, figures in academic, education and press circles and the foreign delegates from all the continents and the international and the regional organizations. It took place between April 6 and 8.

Kenichi Ogami, Shuhachi Inoue and the others in Japan did their best for the preparation of the seminar that took place in the vortex of the world political situation.

In the seminar, Vishwanath's initiate for the institution of the International Kim Il Sung Prize enjoyed the absolute support and praise.

Vishwanath pushed ahead with the preparation of the institution of the International Kim Il Sung Prize.

In March the following year, Vishwanath visited Pyongyang again to send his best wishes to President Kim Il Sung who observed the 81st birthday.

In the plane to Pyongyang, he met Surjit Singh of the Communist Party of India (Marxism). They were close friends.

Surjit Singh requested Vishwanath to stay in the same guest house in Pyongyang, asking him whether Vishwanath would like to be a member of his delegation.

"No. I am afraid not."

Vishwanath refused flatly. That was because he might be misunderstood as a member of the CPIM.

Vishwanath was not affiliated to any political party. As a free man, he followed what he liked.

It was his conviction to follow the Juche idea and respect President Kim Il Sung and H. E. Kim Jong Il.

The then situation in the DPRK was touch-and-go.

The USA instigated the IAEA to force the "special inspection" under some pretexts and gave the military threatening, declaring the resumption of the "Team Spirit" joint military exercise from January, mobilizing about two hundred thousand aggressive forces and the huge nuclear attack means and running the control system designed for the period of the use of the nuclear weapons.

The USA that became arrogant after the Gulf War substantially declared the war against the DPRK.

The DPRK confronted it, without kneeling down before its nuclear pressure.

On March 8, the Supreme Commander of the Korean People's Army issued the order to the army and the people, declaring the semi-war state and a few days later the statement of the DPRK Government was issued, declaring its withdrawal from the NPT to defend its top interests. The world was bustling about this.

The DPRK demonstrated its independent sovereignty.

The world was sarcastic about the USA. The US strategy to stop the The DPRK's nuclear development ended in failure, because The DPRK declared its withdrawal from the NPT.

Vishwanath visited the DPRK. He knew better that the DPRK would win the confrontation with the USA.

On March 24, the Supreme Commander Kim Jong Il of the Korean People's Army lifted the semi-war state when the US military exercise was at hand, surprising the world once again.

Vishwanath was feeling all this in the DPRK.

President Kim Il Sung met Vishwanath again in Kumsusan Assembly House.

Embracing him, the great leader said. "I think it a pleasure to see an old friend like you."

Vishwanath told him.

"I used to visit the DPRK with the feeling of coming home. Your Excellency are just like my father. I'd like to extend my heartfelt wishes to Your Excellency who observe your 81st birthday."

Vishwanath told him that he was just like God who descended from the heaven to save humanity from the slavery and the lawlessness.

"When the others were reading the Bible in churches, I read your works to obtain the mental pabulum. In this process, I came to know how independent human beings are and what kind of role they should play in society. Human history does not know the great man like Your Excellency."

Vishwanath told him he felt sorry about taking his precious time.

President Kim Il Sung said, with a smile in his face.

"It is alright. How good it is to talk with a friend."

Vishwanath told him he would do his best for the study and dissemination of the Juche idea, as the Juche idea follower.

The great leader said.

"You must live to be one hundred years old. Those who do the good things have the right to a long life."

President Kim Il Sung arranged a luncheon for Vishwanath. His teachings were imprinted in Vishwanath's heart how the people who were fighting for independence must live.

President Kim Il Sung told him the Security Council of the UN had no other choice but to take the "sanctions" against the DPRK, saying that the Koreans did not worry about the food, the clothes and the shelter and would defend its sovereignty even in the US economic sanctions.

"We declared the semi-war state and withdrew from the NPT because the Americans resumed the 'Team Spirit' joint military exercise and instigated the IAEA to make a demand for 'special inspection' in our country.

They now have no other choice. We are not afraid of them…"

He was the man with the matchless will. Such a great man could lead the people's cause of independence, confronting the reactionaries of the history.

President Kim Il Sung was the teacher who enjoyed the respect of all the people.

After meeting him, Vishwanath could confirm the validity of the Juche cause.

In those days, the International Kim Il Sung Prize Council was formed.

The council consisted of Hamilton Green, the former Prime Minister of Guyana, Suhachi Inoue, the director-general of the IIJI, Guy Dupre, the secretary-general of the International Liaison Committee for Korea's Reunification and Peace, Dorank Assifat Diasseni, the Minister of Youth, Sports and Art of Guinea and Alba Chavez de Alvarado, the vice-rector of Guyaquil University.

Vishwanath was elected the secretary-general of the committee. It had its headquarters in Delhi and got it registered with the Government of India.

It was difficult to get the official registration.

Vishwanath told me.

"I got the official registration of the Academic Society for the Study of the Juche Idea, the ARIJI and the International Kim Il Sung Prize Council.

India has the good relations with Russia but the India-Russia Society was not registered with the Indian Government.

Only three organizations related with the DPRK were officially registered. Indian Government, therefore, support the seminar on the Juche idea. Nobody knew how difficult it was to go through all the formalities."

I could understand him.

Being greatly sympathized with the great ideology, Vishwanath volunteered to study and disseminate the Juche idea.

On April 20, 1993, Vishwanath had the press conference and introduced the decision of the International Kim Il Sung Prize Council.

The mass media of India, Hong Kong, Pakistan, UK etc reported this.

It was instituted when the cause of socialism suffered from the

setback in the East European countries.

The institution of the International Kim Il Sung Prize was the demonstration of the will and conviction of the progressive peoples who were sure that the cause of the global independence would win, as long as they follow the Juche idea.

The progressive peoples desired to confer the International Kim Il Sung Prize upon H. E. Kim Jong Il, the great successor of the Juche cause. However, the desire could not come true, as H. E. Kim Jong Il who gave the honour and glory to the people had refused to accept it.

Vishwanath decided to confer the first prize on the occasion of the 45th anniversary of the founding of the DPRK.

It was not easy to select the candidate, as there were millions of the Juche idea followers in the world.

The members of the council selected Suhachi Inoue as the first candidate.

Shuhachi Inoue was a distinguished scholar.

After having converted to the Juche idea follower from an orthodox Marxist, he had written many books on the Juche idea, working as a researcher, the deputy director-general and director-general of the IIJI since 1990. He had been working for the study and dissemination of the Juche idea in Japan, the hostile country of the DPRK.

He was conferred the first International Kim Il Sung Prize in Mansudae Assembly House in Pyongyang on September 7, 1993

With the honour of having been conferred the International Kim Il Sung Prize, Shuhachi Inoue said.

"The leadership of His Excellency Kim Jong Il is the fundamental guarantee for shaping the destiny of socialism and humanity.

He was the right man for the International Kim Il Sung Prize."

This showed how strong desire the people over the world had, to advance along the road of independence under the leadership of President Kim Il Sung and H. E. Kim Jong Il.

Tears were welled in the eyes of Vishwanath.

He was remembering the days of instituting the prize.

It was the historic event that the International Kim Il Sung Prize was instituted and conferred upon Shuhachi Inoue.

Vishwanath was proud of the worth of life.

The following day, the great leader met Vishwanath and the members of the council.

He had the photo taken with Shuhachi Inoue, the winner of the first prize and then with the members of the council in Kumsusan Assembly House.

President Kim Il Sung said.

"I am very happy to meet you today, Mr. Shuhachi Inoue, Mr. Vishwanath and Mrs. Alba Chavez.

I warmly welcome you on your visit to my country, on the occasion of the 45th anniversary of the founding of the DPRK…

I feel grateful to the the followers of the Juche idea in the world including those in Asia, Africa and Latin America for their support and solidarity to the DPRK that holds fast to the Juche idea."

President Kim Il Sung was the hope and conviction of victory of the cause of independence.

He continued.

"Every thing is going well in my country. You will feel the worth of supporting us."

His words redoubled their conviction.

The members of the council extended the best wishes to the great leader.

As the secretary-general of the International Kim Il Sung Prize Council, Vishwanath had his duty. He said to the great leader.

"The institution of the International Kim Il Sung Prize was the ardent desire of the Juche idea followers over the world.

When I formed the Academic Society for the Study of the Juche Idea in India, after meeting Your Excellency for the first time, it had tens of people but now millions of people.

We have formed the International Kim Il Sung Prize Council with the distinguished people, reflecting the minds of the Juche idea followers over the world…

It was significant event that made the ardent desire of the Juche idea followers come true that we instituted the International Kim Il Sung Prize and conferred it."

Vishwanath told him that the most prestigious International Kim Il Sung Prize would be conferred upon those the Juche idea followers who made contributions to the dissemination of the Juche

idea.

Vishwanath continued.

"The great leader gives a birth to the great successor…

I am sure the Juche idea will be disseminated more actively under the wise leadership of the respected His Excellency Kim Jong Il…"

President Kim Il Sung stressed that the Juche idea was the ideology for the independence, saying that it should not be imposed on the others.

His words touched the hearts of the council members.

Vishwanath told him that India was a big country and everybody knew President Kim Il Sung and the Juche idea.

After a while, President Kim Il Sung answered.

"It is free to learn the Juche idea just like a religious faith."

The council members admired him.

The day when they met President Kim Il Sung cemented their conviction in and optimism for socialism. Vishwanath imagined the future that would have a lot of the International Kim Il Sung Prize winners, shouting for the independence. He felt a fresh enthusiasm.

Vishwanath thought he would come to the great teacher, after having done more things.

The number of the winners of the prize increased.

T. B. Mukerjee, Kenichi Ogami, Aguillar Bularelli, Dorank Assifat Diasseni, Sam Nujoma…

Vishwanath was marching in the 1990s, the year of storms. Man proved himself in the storms of the history. The storm brought him to perfection.

More beautiful is the bird flying in storms.

3. Sad News, the Most Sorrowful Day

A car was running along the Moscow River.

Vishwanath was going to Inter Sovero, the India-Russia joint-venture building. Vishwanath had a programme of meeting the Russian general manager and was invited to the dinner. He was looking out of the window.

The setting sun was glowing in the street in Moscow. He could see the begging children in the street. This was the result of the "openness" and "reform."

The fall of Soviet Union dealt a heavy blow to the East European socialist countries. The fall of the country weakened the economy. This being the situation, he had to look after his business. He was visiting Moscow frequently for his business.

He had branch offices of Interads in Russia. They dealt with the advertisements in Russia and the other countries. The general manager was Androchenko. He had worked in the Soviet Embassy in India.

Inter Sovero was the exhibition business. The company had belonged to the state in the socialist system. His business had been successful in the socialist system.

He had attended an Indian exhibition held in St. Petersburg and came to Moscow. Vladimir Putin, the deputy mayor of the city welcomed Vishwanath. St. Petersburg had a lot of the foreign investment. Putin was working for the investment. He was a skillful in managing the business.

Putin called Vishwanath simply "Vish." Vishwanath had organized the Indian exhibition in Moscow, too. On these occasions, he used to meet the heads of state.

Vishwanath who had been to the country since the period of Stalin did not expect Putin would be elected the President of Russia.

The car was still running. The driver turned on the radio. The radio repeated the same report.

The report suddenly woke him up from odd thoughts. He doubted his ears.

"Please, park the car."

"It is not allowed to park here."

Vishwanath's heart began to wobble. He could not believe the report. He seemed to forget his existence. He was about to run out of the car.

The car parked. Vishwanath hurriedly got out of the car. He felt stuffy in his heart. He looked up to the sky. The sky seemed to fall down. A storm was gathering in his heart. "It is impossible." He got into the car again and turned on the other channels of the radio. The same report was repeated.

"Is it true that President Kim Il Sung passed away?"

It was a bolt from the blue.

"No, he must not go. Nobody in the world can replace him."

Vishwanath could not move. He had lived with the hope of his sunrays.

"Drive on."

"To where?"

"To the DPRK Embassy. Hurry up."

Vishwanath shifted his direction from Inter Sovero to the "DPRK"

In the car, Vishwanath could not believe all this. He desired the sad news was wrong.

He was nearing the DPRK Embassy, after passing Lenin Hill and Mosfilm Street. Sorrow swelled up within him.

In the court of the embassy, he saw the sea of tears.

Everyone was weeping at the loss of the father of the nation.

On the way to the embassy, Vishwanath thought a miracle could be created that President Kim Il Sung could resurrect, as he was the Divine Being.

He applied for visa to the DPRK. The embassy staff informed him of that the DPRK decided not to accept the foreign callers for condolence.

If it accepted the foreign callers for condolence, the DPRK would be crowded with the foreigners.

The 20th century was in its evening, in association with his august name. He could not sleep the whole night. All the channels of TV were reporting the exploits of President Kim Il Sung.

The whole world was reporting his death. The true value of the great man became more clear after his death. Vishwanath had been honored with meeting him on 12 occasions from April 1977 to

September 1993.

Kim Il Sung! He was the saint descended from the heaven to save Korea from the misery and to add glory to hundreds of millions of the people.

In his younger days, he liberated the deprived country and illuminated the road of independence for humanity. He was the great saint prior to a veteran statesman and the great human being prior to an outstanding head of state. People knew his name, although they did not remember their own ancestors.

He represented Juche and independence for the people over the world.

When socialism was in upheavals, the Juche idea followers and the progressive peoples had kept conviction, looking up to him. He was pushing ahead with the cause of independence more vigorously. This was proved by the large-scale international seminars on the Juche idea and the numerous books about him. Vishwanath and Kenichi Ogami were standing in the van. Two months after the fall of Soviet Union, there was held the grand international seminar on the Juche idea for the world independence and peace in Delhi and in April, another international seminar on the Juche idea for the present era in Tokyo.

In this year only, the international seminars on the Juche idea took place in Kampala in February and again in April in Delhi. The speakers raised their voice, shouting that the cause of the people for independence would surely win as indicated by the Juche idea.

In February that year, Vishwanath published two more books.

In his book "Kimilsungism—the Banner of Independence, Peace and Prosperity" published in the Nu Tech Press in 1994, Vishwanath wrote the Juche idea in a theoretical way.

In this book, Vishwanath wrote Kimilsungism as the integral system of idea, theory and method of Juche.

The book scientifically and theoretically proved the present situation on the basis of the works of Kim Jong Il "Our Socialism Centred on the Masses Shall Not Perish", "The Historical Lesson in Building Socialism and the General Line of Our Party" and "Abuses of Socialism Are Intolerable."

He also gave detailed analysis to the history of the Indian people's mass struggle for their independence and sovereignty and

their leaders in the present perspective.

It was the largest book among his 10 books.

Another book was "The Savior of Human Emancipation" published in the New Age Press in 1994. In this book, he wrote his, Mukherjee's and Govind's reminiscences.

These two books added a glory to the celebration of the April 15 that year.

Vishwanath had a dream. It was to hold the great festival of the Juche idea followers over world in India and invite President Kim Il Sung, summing up the 20th century. With this beautiful dream, Vishwanath had worked hard.

He began to love the DPRK for two reasons. First, he was attracted to the Juche idea and secondly he was always welcomed by the creator of the idea, whenever he visited the country.

He lost such a great friend, great teacher and the great sun who had treated him as a friend and comrade-in-arms. The heaven in his mind lost its colour and the mental bird freely flying in the sky floundered in an uncontrollable confusion.

The loss of the great heart and genius brain like President Kim Il Sung was the loss of our planet and it could not be compensated by anything.

Korea with a small territory and population could have a big influence upon the world, controlling the capacity of the lungs of the world. This was attributed to President Kim Il Sung.

The former US President Jimmy Carter met him and told the press that the respected President Kim Il Sung was a pre-eminent man who was as great as George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and Abraham Lincoln, the most illustrious early US Presidents, all combined, adding that he did not hesitate to speak President Kim Il Sung was the sun of the destiny who was greater than the founders of the countries in the world and lords put together.

Having once met him, even the people in the hostile country was attracted to his noble personality. All the people in the world shed tears, cherishing the memory of deceased President Kim Il Sung. Was it possible such a great heart stopped beating?

"Now, the sun of the cause of independence fell down, in the arduous period in which the cause of the global independence suffered. O the world! Where will you go?"

This was the day of tears and sorrow for Vishwanath who believed the Juche idea and President Kim Il Sung.

Tears could not quench the thirst.

President Kim Il Sung who created the Juche idea and illuminated the bright future of independence for humanity was gone.

A great man is born in centuries.

Such a great man is immortal in the hearts of the people.

Vishwanath was speaking to himself that President Kim Il Sung was the legendary man and the most outstanding leader in the contemporary era, standing above Jesus Christ and Shakyamuni.

President Kim Il Sung passed away on July 8, 1994. His death was reported the following day, making the people writhing in a desperate agony.

It was the most sorrowful day for Vishwanath.

4. Savior of Truth

A large gold framed photo was on the table of Vishwanath's office.

In the photo, smiling General Kim Jong Il was shaking hands with Vishwanath.

Keeping the photo on his table, Vishwanath was feeling an honour.

His work "Socialism is a Science" was in front of him.

Reading the book, Vishwanath was looking at the photo, in a great excitement.

The sunrays could not be screened.

The sun rays shine the earth even through clouds.

Although socialism fell in many countries, the socialism as a science lives in the minds of the people.

The fall of socialism in many countries was the destruction of the opportunism that had spoiled socialism. It was not the fall of

socialism as a science.

His declaration was the sun light.

How wonderful analysis and exact evaluation it was!

In his work, H. E. Kim Jong Il gave a clear answer that although socialism was suffering due to opportunism, it would be restored and win the final victory, for its scientific accuracy and validity. This work H. E. Kim Jong Il published for the first time after the demise of the great leader gathered the attention of the politicians and the thinkers. They had to think of the world correctly.

Many people in the political field depicted the work as "Communist Manifesto in the 20th Century."

Vishwanath, the essayist of the socialist politics did not idle away, with the folded arms.

He wrote that Marx's "Communist Manifesto" declared the socialist movement on the basis of Marxism whereas Kim Jong Il's work "Socialism is a Science" was the "declaration of independence of humanity in the 20th century" and "Guide of Human Future" that declared the restoration of socialism and a new advance of the socialist cause.

The height of a great man was the height of his ideology.

Writing this work only, he was recognized as the great theoretician, thinker and mental leader standing on the top of the history of the human thought.

He was the symbol of socialism and the human cause of independence.

Looking at the unemployment and poverty that swept the former socialist countries, Vishwanath prayed.

"O my God! Please tell good from evil and bring the Noah's flood as in the Book of Genesis of the Old Testament to remove the Satans that try to swallow the kind-hearted people, under the pretext of the reform."

Vishwanath was looking up to H. E. Kim Jong Il, looking forward to the bright future.

His work seemed to fill the world.

The progressive peoples over the world who aspired after independence thought it natural to follow H. E. Kim Jong Il.

Some people worried about the future of the DPRK and human cause of independence, comparing the demise of President

Kim Il Sung with the "end of the sun." According to the Western world, the future of the DPRK was not optimistic. It predicted there would be the political problems in the period of the power transfer as in the other countries. History told that the succession to power accompanied plots and blood. Shakespeare's "Hamlet", therefore, gave a tragic impression.

The Western political field became more sensitive at the non-election of President even after lots of time passed.

It had many evil things to say against the DPRK.

The DPRK began to build the large-scaled projects, true to the behests of President Kim Il Sung in the stable situation in stead of the political turmoil.

The single-hearted unity of the Korean people who had followed the Juche idea invariably gathered attention of the supporters and Satans in the world.

The thing without the centre spread like sands in the desert.

How could the Korean people who were in the sea of tears, after the loss of the father of the nation rise in firm unity? What was their mental pillar and root of conviction?

This was puzzle for the Western political field that vociferated the "liberal democracy."

It was H. E. Kim Jong Il who inspired the Korean people to rise again.

The world reached the conclusion that H. E. Kim Jong Il inherited his human cause of independence, instead of the regime.

This was the biggest shock for the Western political field.

H. E. Kim Jong Il also descended from the heaven.

It was a crowning glory for the Korean people and the Juche idea followers over the world to have H. E. Kim Jong Il as another leader.

His name was known to the progressive peoples as a symbol of independence.

His looks in the photo gave vigor to Vishwanath.

He rose.

"O the sun of Juche inspires forever!"

He began to write a poem as dictated by his heart.

O the sun of Juche inspires forever!

Thou art the bright sun
That shines upon humanity aspiring for independence.
So, the infinite sky overhead is bright.

Thou carriest forward the lifeline
Of human cause of independence.
If thou not be, how could humanity see its future
In the dusty air and vortex?

…

Looking upon to the sun,
Five continents are cheering in one mind and soul
Juche – Kim Jong Il!
Kim Jong Il – Juche!

…

The DPRK that vigorously defend socialism came to his mind as a strong citadel. The Korean people were demonstrating their strong socialism, living a dignified life as the masters of the society. The DPRK looked great, as it had a single-minded unity under the brilliant rays of the Juche idea. He was writing again.

O Kim Jong Il!
Great and splendorous art thou.
Thou art the incarnation of human cheers,
Savior of human emancipation
And creator of a new century.

Kim Jong Il!
Thou art the centre of the universe.
The earth turns on thy Juche orbit.

…

O yes, Kim Jong Il!
Thy idea gave a birth to independence.

Hence, looking up to thee,
The world cheers.

Hurrah!
Hurrah!
Hurrah for Kim Jong Il!
Hurrah for the great Juche idea!

He concluded the poem. This was chapter 3 he had been writing. His poem was entitled "Long live the Juche idea!" This was the eruption of his feelings. This was the poem dedicated to General Kim Jong Il.

Socialist Korea was firmly united around General Kim Jong Il, as depicted in the poem. The giant tree was strong, striking its roots deep in the popular masses.

"I must go to the DPRK. I must go to his arms.

He was the sun of Juche rising in the image of Kim Il Sung."

5. He is Immortal

"Let me ask the meaning of the immortality.

Is it Pyramid in the ancient age or Taj Mahal in the middle age?"

Pyramid demonstrated its magnificent shapes and Taj Mahal demonstrated its convexly conical roof.

Who is immortal along with them?

Were the kings who had rested in Pyramid immortal or the queen who had rested in Taj Mahal immortal? "

The monarchies with the unlimited power had Pyramid and Taj Mahal built as the "houses of the immortal life" but there were no immortal lives.

The monuments told the viciousness of the despotism and the talents and wisdom of the working people.

Where, then, is the immortal life?

It is in the hearts of the people.

The noble life devoted for the peace and freedom of humanity is immortal along with humanity and the history. It is the truth that the saint who created the great ideology for the peaceful and free world where the independence of all nations was realized leads the immortal life along with humanity and the history.

If you want to know the true meaning of the immortality, please come to Kumsusan Memorial Palace, the supreme sacred place of Juche.

President Kim Il Sung who awakened the people to the true meaning of the immortality and showed examples throughout his life rests in peace with immortal life.

On September 15, 1995, Vishwanath, Mukesh Sharma and Kiran were touched, visiting Kumsusan Memorial Palace.

It had railways, the neat and clean stations, a large square and two lines of travelators in the long corridors for hundreds of thousands of visitors.

Entering the hall, we could see the marble statue of President Kim Il Sung in the red limelight.

In the Juche glow, President Kim Il Sung was welcoming the friends from the different countries.

The magnificence was not the product of the talents and wisdom. This was impossible, apart from the care of the great man Kim Jong Il who was faithful to the great leader Kim Il Sung's cause.

Through the corridors and the other rooms, they entered the quiet room in which he seemed to have a rest after dealing with the busy affairs. Their hearts began to beat.

At the moment of seeing him lying in state, Vishwanath felt he would embrace him. His eyes were dimmed with tears.

On September 15, 1977, President Kim Il Sung met Vishwanath and his wife and gave his best wishes on Vishwanath's birthday. President Kim Il Sung's voice was ringing in his ears.

Parents gave the best blessings to their children on their birthdays.

Vishwanath could not forget that President Kim Il Sung had spent the whole day with Vishwanath and his wife, even arranging the birthday party for him. He gave him the love and affection of the

father of humanity.

From that time on, Vishwanath made up his mind to celebrate his birthday in Pyongyang. Remembering his warm love, Vishwanath came to see President Kim Il Sung, with his son and daughter-in-law. He desired to get his eternal blessings.

"Your Excellency President, Vishwanath, your soldier are here with his son and daughter-in-law."

Vishwanath reported his activities including his organization of the seminars on the Juche idea.

"My comrade-in-arms is here."

Vishwanath was hearing his kind voice calling him comrade-in-arms.

The looks of President Kim Il Sung lying in state made him keep the confidence in his destiny and future.

Mukesh and Kiran planned to come to President Kim Il Sung after doing a lot of works. They extended their greetings with the remorse.

The respect of Vishwanath for the great man has soaked through the minds of his children.

President Kim Il Sung is immortal here, welcoming hundreds of millions of people from the different countries.

H. E. Kim Jong Il would glow over the earth with Juche against all difficulties in the history of the world politics.

This was the confidence Vishwanath and his children had kept, visiting Kumsusan Memorial Palace.

With President Kim Il Sung, Kumsusan Memorial Palace would remain as the supreme sacred place of Juche and the heart of the era of independence.

Mukesh and his wife who visited the DPRK in which the Juche idea was applied, for the first time, could see through the world in terms of Juche.

Only with the great successor, the leader is immortal. This was the answer they got, while visiting the DPRK on the occasion of the 1st anniversary of the demise of President Kim Il Sung.

History of the great man must be succeeded.

Vishwanath spoke out his thought.

"The life that left exploits is immortal amidst the glory of the coming generations!"

6. Death of a Friend

Two sons of the deceased were walking in the van of the funeral procession and Altaf Hussain and Javed Ansari were carrying the bier. About 600 people were following.

They were walking silently. They were talking with Abdul Malak through their minds.

It was Abdul Malak's last saying to them.

"My dear colleagues, it is my request to you to follow Juche to the last. Please do not forget that our destiny and the bright future of my country depend on this."

Following Abdul Malak, they were answering to his last appeal.

"Abdul Malak, please rest in peace."

"Your call will encourage us for ever."

On February 8, 1997, the biggest national seminar took place in Pakistan.

Being seriously ill, Abdul Malak did his best for this day.

When his friends over the world were busy with preparing the international seminar, he was busy with preparing the national seminar on the occasion of the February holiday.

He told Vishwanath.

"I will realize the independence in my country, thus contributing to the global independence. Every country's independence leads to the global independence."

"You are right. I ask you to take care of your health until I come back from the Tokyo seminar."

They parted. While taking the floor in the national seminar, Abdul Malak fell down and was gone.

About 600 colleagues called him time and again in the conference hall. Nevertheless, their calling could not save him from heart shock. His colleagues bid last farewell to him.

Vishwanath was informed of this sad new in Delhi in late February, after participating in the international seminar held in Tokyo. Vishwanath hurriedly flied to Karachi.

He could not see his friend anymore.

Vishwanath felt he was hiding somewhere to surprise him.

However, the enthusiastic man with a broad face did not appear.

He was grief-stricken.

The funeral ceremony was over, but the appearance of Vishwanath touched the Juche idea followers in Pakistan.

At the age of 71, Vishwanath was not tired. His physical limit must have given way to his vigorous footsteps towards Juche.

Vishwanath felt pain in his heart, listening to the last moment of his comrade-in-arms.

Shahzad told her husband that morning.

"My dear, listen to me. You must not move."

Calming his wife, Abdul Malak spoke with a languid drawl, smiling.

"Thank you. I am alright. The way I go is the way to keep my life. Please help me to stand."

Shahzad had no other choice.

Abdul Malak took the floor by her help and spoke his last speech.

Vishwanath could confirm the validity of the human cause of independence.

Vishwanath did not weep. He decided to live like him. Vishwanath had no other desire but to add glory to the way of Juche.

Vishwanath desired Shahzad to bring up her children to follow the way of justice.

"Comrades, let us devote our lives on the way of Juche."

Javed Ansari responded.

He was a trustful friend.

He renamed the Students' Group for the Study of Kimilsungism organized in 1978 into the Youth Group for the Study of Kimilsungism in the end of the 1980s, working hard for the study and dissemination of the Juche idea among the young people.

He was nearing the age of 40. He was preparing to organize a bigger organization. The organization was the Pakistan Society for the Study of Self-Reliance that would be born soon.

As a staff of the Adamji Insurance Company, he was not well-off but sympathized with the ideology of the time, like Abdul Malak.

Vishwanath had a long talk with him, concerning the problems arising in the study and dissemination of the Juche idea, inspiring him up.

Javed Ansari spoke.

"Mr. Abdul Malak taught us through his life. And we are greatly encouraged by your unremitting mentality, Dr. Vishwanath."

"It was me who was encouraged. Your struggle gave me a great strength."

Pakistan was following the way of Juche by the efforts of the young pioneers like Javed Ansari."

Abdul Malak was the Juche idea follower who had visited the DPRK every year for about 20 years from 1977 and met the great leader Kim Il Sung and gained a new true life.

He demonstrated how the Juche idea follower must live and thus left the noble looks of the people who had a conviction.

Abdul Malak, the soldier of Juche in Pakistan was gone like this.

His death was as clean as his life.

Even though he was deceased, he was always remembered by the people.

He is immortal along with the green jade he had donated to the Tower of the Juche Idea.

The death for the country and people was the extension of the life.

At the last moment of his life, he praised the future of Juche world.

He loved the future that would remain forever. He had lived a happy life, looking forward to the bright future.

Nobody thought he was dead. His voice was ringing loudly in the ears of the growing Juche idea followers.

"My dear colleagues, it is my request to you to follow Juche to the last. Please do not forget that our destiny and the bright future of my country depend on this."

7. Towards a New Millennium

After coming back from Pakistan, Vishwanath handed over Interads to his eldest son.

Burning his heart with the desire for the future, Vishwanath had no margin of thinking something else.

The ARIJI had the bad situation.

Mukherjee was bed-ridden for several years because of the serious illness.

Still worse, Govind was gone in his sleep a few days before.

Vishwanath remembered he selected him from the CPI, 20 years before.

He remembered his activities for the Juche idea, hearing his voice of reciting poems in the international seminar.

Vishwanath was sad that many people were gone, leaving many things to do.

Friends were the wealth.

Anyone must lead the ARIJI but there was no full-time official. Mukherjee and Govind were the treasures for Vishwanath. They had been active in the study and dissemination of the Juche idea, after being awakened to the truth of the Juche idea.

The ARIJI must not stop its work. So, Vishwanath handed his business over to his son and devoted the most time for the ARIJI.

He was over 70. He was tired but must go his way. Those who kneel down before the difficulties were the mean fellows.

Vishwanath spoke to Anil Sharma.

"I will not have the voting rights in the council of 'Interads'. I will not disturb you. I am the general manager only in name. No, I don't need the name, either."

Vishwanath told Mukesh Sharma, his third son.

"Please get me the quality computer and communications facilities. And try to find out a full-time secretary for the ARIJI."

He received the facilities and got them installed in the next room to his office.

He needed them for the activation of the study and dissemination of the Juche idea.

Mukesh had a large amount of equipment in the IT field,

running the expo centres and hotels.

Santosh Kumari used to come to his office and Vishwanath explained her about his plans. She was happy to listen to him. She thought she had to help him.

Her hair turned grey but her mind was pure as ever. Her smiling face told her mind.

Vishwanath was grateful for her understanding him.

In their younger days, they did not experience the love stories full of romance but their love had deepened with the passage of time.

Mukesh found out a beautiful girl and introduced her to his father as the full-time secretary for the ARIJI. Vishwanath did not mind giving her salary from his budget.

From then, Vishwanath named his office "Juche office." In this office, Vishwanath planned and worked for the academic society and the ARIJI.

The palm tree Vishwanath had planted was hovering over. The Juche idea followers not the Interads people were coming under the tree.

The ARIJI moved to this place.

Anil Sharma who was running Interads had to obey the "command", if they were for this office. The owner of this office was the founder-president of Interads.

From this time on, the conference hall, the banquet hall and the other facilities that belonged to Interads belonged to the "Juche office", too.

People visited this office to discuss their plans and returned with the optimism.

Among the visitors were the MPs, the humble people and the renowned foreigners.

With the "Juche office", Interads became prestigious.

The "Juche office" had the internet and the other facilities for the swiftness in its activities for the study and dissemination of the Juche idea throughout the world.

Seema Kumari, the full-time secretary had done her job in an enthusiastic and responsible way.

Seema Kumari printed the "Age of Juche", the magazine of the ARIJI and its bulletins and distributed them all over the world.

Vishwanath who was interested in the publication liked this

light-handed woman.

She was fond of reading. Even in the absence of Vishwanath, people used to come to this office to obtain the books and the materials about the Juche idea.

Vishwanath summed up every evening and gave her new tasks.

Sometimes, Vishwanath called her late in the evening but she never complained, except glancing at her wristwatch. Much later, Vishwanath came to know she would miss her bus. She used to take a mini bus, paying the bus for one month in advance.

Vishwanath was satisfied with Seema Kumari.

All the people Vishwanath had met on the way of Juche were his friends and comrades-in-arms.

Vishwanath needed more hands, with the increasing deal of the work.

Vishwanath had to get the report from the different study groups, write articles and edit them.

Vishwanath felt a shortage of the time absolutely.

He wanted to involve a scholar in the "Juche office."

In those days, S. P. Pathak happened to appear. He was a retired professor of Delhi University. Without giving any further thought, Vishwanath asked him to work with him. He had followed the Juche idea from the early 1980s and had been to the DPRK several times.

Pathak accepted with a pleasure.

After his getting "job" in the office, the office was full of laughter. This small and thin doctor was very learned and a man of humor. Pathak's humor made the people work more quickly and joyfully.

From that time on, Pathak took charge of editing the "Age of Juche."

Beside him, a little boy Ashish, the son of Mukesh used to come to the office. Vishwanath liked this grandson.

Ashish who was just over 10 years old tagged at his grandfather's heels like a shadow. He was fond of reading the books, giving a deep thought to the contents.

Vishwanath personally named Ashish only among his many grandsons. He was proud of his grandfather, calling himself Ashish Vishwanath.

This little boy had shared the same bed with his grandfather.

Vishwanath loved him very much and thought of the family descendent who could follow the way of Juche.

Ashish learnt, saw and heard a lot from his grandfather. He was loved by all in the office and understood some of the talkings of the grownups in the office.

Ashish liked to follow his grandfather to visit Pandori Bibi, in vacations.

Ashish was mysterious of the rural village that belonged to his family and that had a sharp contradiction with the city.

Vishwanath thought how to make him understand the world and how to implant the principle of the Juche idea.

In the period of vacancy of the executive committee of the ARIJI, Vishwanath did not stop its work. All the Juche idea followers knew Vishwanath founded the ARIJI and helped its work behind the scene. They responded to his calls. From the inception, he had been the unofficial chief of the ARIJI.

From that time on, Vishwanath had organized the national seminar four times in Delhi every year; on February 16, April 15, September 9, October 10… In addition, he had organized the ARIJI meetings on every Saturday of the last months.

In those days, the international seminar on the Juche idea for the independence and peace in the present world took place in Delhi in April 1998 and the Asian regional seminar on the Juche idea for the independent development of society and self-reliance in Kathmandu in October 1999. This fact only told how energetically Vishwanath had worked for the study and dissemination of the Juche idea in Asia and the world.

He found a pleasure in voluntarily fulfilling the duty. A beautiful life had to be created.

On August 31, 1998, the DPRK surprised the world. It produced a carrier rocket and satellite with 100 % its technique, in the difficult economic conditions and successfully put it into the orbit at one launch.

In the middle of the 1990s, the DPRK had to have the arduous march and the forced march. The DPRK overcame all the difficulties such as the fall of socialism in the East European countries, the isolation moves of the allied imperialist forces and the successive natural calamities.

The DPRK had never begged. It not only defended its dignity but also demonstrated its might to the world as an independent sovereign state.

The successful launch of the satellite by the DPRK gave a great encouragement to the Juche idea followers over the world.

Peace and light were coming in the evening of the century.

While giving the leadership over the study and dissemination of the Juche idea, Vishwanath had thought of electing the leadership body of the ARIJI.

Vishwanath wanted to select a young man to take charge of the ARIJI and planned to help him.

He gave the importance to the Academic Society for the Study of the Juche Idea in India. Twenty-seven study groups in the major cities and the states were running with the Academic Society for the Study of the Juche Idea as axis. The study groups had tens of millions of members. The number of members was larger than the Juche idea followers in the different countries put together. India was playing such a big part in the world.

Vishwanath planned to set up the study organizations in all the 32 states and the major cities in India. By training more Juche idea followers, he supported the IIJI and the ARIJI.

The eighth board of directors' meeting of the ARIJI held in October 1999 in Nepal called back some directors and by-elected the new directors.

The board of directors consisted of 14 directors representing India, Bangladesh, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Pakistan, Syria, Thailand, Japan etc., One honorary director-general T. B. Mukherjee and one honorary director Promilla Shrivastava, the wife of Govind Narain Shrivastava.

Garib Newaz, the president of the Bangladesh People's League and concurrently lawyer affiliated to the Supreme Court was elected the executive director-general.

Vishwanath was elected the secretary-general of the ARIJI.

Afterwards, the ARIJI had constantly made its progress.

Vishwanath planned and collected the reports for the study and dissemination of the Juche idea in the "Juche office." He went to his work in time and came back late.

A day was too short for him.

When everybody had weekend, Vishwanath went to his office, annoying Santosh Kumari and his children.

"Why do you work on off days?" his granddaughter asked.

"It kills me to keep me doing nothing."

It was his pleasure to keep him busy on the way of Juche.

Even on *Holi,* one of the folk holidays in India, he was reading in his office.

On this day, the people enjoyed themselves, putting colours on friends and other peoples.

However, from his childhood, he did not like it. He wanted to work more and more.

Even today, Pathak is working on the "Age of Juche." Sometimes, he was invited by universities.

Being attracted to his sincerity, Vishwanath arranged a party for him. However, he took a little food like a bird, smiling "How can I defeat all this food?"

The "Age of Juche" had been distributed to Pakistan, Nepal, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Japan, UK, France, Russia and the other countries in the world.

Pathak is the chairman of the India Society for the Study of Kim Jong Il's Works.

I have never personally met Pathak. However, the quarterly magazine reminds me of his humor.

Vishwanath had many good friends. They were marching shoulder to shoulder on the sacred road for the freedom and peace.

Vishwanath's mental bird was flying high towards a new millennium.

Towards the infinite sky
Towards the bright light
Towards the free air
The bird spread free wings
Under the rays of the sun.
O, bird! Fly to the edge of the universe!